

VIRGINIA BULL NAMED WINNER OF ANGUS SHOW

Grand Champion Brings \$900
At Sale Here Yesterday

FOURTH ANNUAL EVENT

Highlands Farm Animal
Selected Grand Champ
In Cow Division

N. C. BREEDERS' SHOW

Prince Royal of Red Gate was today named grand champion of the fourth annual North Carolina Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association Show held in Elkin. The bull, owned by Edward Jenkins, Red Gate Farm, Milwood, Va., was sold at a top price of \$900 at the sale yesterday afternoon.

Estonia 6th of Highlands was named grand champion cow. She was sold for \$810 by Walter S. Fox, Round Hill Farms, Va., to Mrs. Margaret Woodson, Boxwood Farms, Mocksville.

Dr. S. A. Alexander, Monroe, purchased the grand champion bull.

The winning bull was sired by what Angus experts claim unquestionably the greatest bull imported to this country to date. The Red Gate winner's sire was Imperial Prince of Rowley, an international champion.

The first five bulls sold for an average of \$535.

The grand champion cow is a great granddaughter of General 6th of Page, an international champion, and a great granddaughter of General 2nd of Page, also an international champion.

The show was declared Tuesday night at the annual banquet at Hotel Elkin to be the best consignment of cattle in the history of the association.

The cattle, eight bulls and 36 females, came from the leading herds of Virginia and the two Carolinas. They represented the most popular breeding strains of this country and Scotland.

Joe Keefe, president of the Southeastern Aberdeen-Angus Breeders Association, was judge of the show. Paul Good, Van Wert, Ohio, was auctioneer.

Animals entered from this area included those by W. A. Neaves, owner of Black Gate Farm, Elkin, and T. F. Cooley, manager of Klondike Farm, Elkin.

HOUSE PASSES TEACHER RAISE

North Carolina State Employees To Get 20 Per Cent Salary Hike

NOT YET RATIFIED

The North Carolina Legislators last week rushed through to passage of a bill granting teachers and state employees a 20 per cent pay boost for this year.

The increase is retroactive to last October 1 and will cost the state approximately \$15,000,000.

The measure becomes effective upon ratification by the speaker of the house and the president of the senate, a formality expected to take place momentarily.

The senate wrangled for a while over three proposed amendments to the measure. Then it killed the amendments, and rushed it to the house. There the house sent it through to final passage without debate.

To Stage Program At Pleasant Hill

A two hour program of entertainment will be presented at the Pleasant Hill School Saturday evening, March 12, at 7 o'clock, under the sponsorship of the Pleasant Hill Parent-Teachers Association.

The program will consist of quartet singing, East Elkin string band and black face comedians.

A small admission charge will be made. All proceeds will be used to purchase play ground equipment for the school.

School Annex Bids To Be Given Friday

Bids will be received tomorrow (Friday) for alterations and additions to the Elkin High School. Offers will be turned in to the trustees of the Elkin City Schools at the office of the superintendent, Elkin High School, at 3:30 p. m.

Proposals for the electrical, plumbing and heating work will be received at the same time.



CONGRESSMAN HERE — Harold D. Cooley, left, chairman of the agricultural committee in the U. S. House of Representatives, and Thurmond Chatham, of Elkin, Congressman of the Fifth District, will be among the galaxy of farm speakers at the seventh annual Elkin Farmers' Day. Mr. Chatham will introduce Mr. Cooley.



A FARM EDITOR, A DAIRYMAN — Harvey Dinkins, farm editor of the Winston-Salem Journal, left, and George Coble, president of Coble Dairy Products Company, Lexington, will be supporting speakers in today's annual Elkin Farmers' Day program.



WEST YADKIN BIDS ARE LET

Pilot Mountain Contractors
Low Bidders On General Construction

BEGIN BUILDING SOON

Bids were let this week on the West Yadkin School building project.

Fulk and Needham, Pilot Mountain contractors, were low bidders on the general construction at \$63,980. Sam E. Beck, Winston-Salem, was awarded the contract for plumbing and heating. His bid was \$10,974. Harris Electric Company, Elkin, was low bidder on electrical construction with a bid of \$2,246.59.

The addition calls for erection of four class rooms, a science laboratory and a library study hall, all of which will be complete with heating, plumbing and wiring. The figures include heating construction for four class rooms which were erected in 1939, but have since been heated by stoves.

Fourteen bid on the general construction. Fifteen bid for plumbing and heating, and seven for wiring.

The board and its architect, John Franklin, of Elkin, estimated that a saving of \$30,000 had been effected through the postponement of construction from early last fall until now.

Furniture and fixtures are not included in these figures, but it was pointed out that expenses could be met without going beyond estimated figures.

Two other projects, Boonville and Yadkinville, will be ready for submission to bidders the latter part of the month.

Home Demonstration Festival In April

The Home Demonstration Spring Festival of Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin counties will be held at the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A. April 14.

Sponsored by the Elkin Kiwanis Club, the event will feature the address of Mrs. Charles Sewell, Chicago, administrative director of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Stewardship Supper To Be On Wednesday

The annual Stewardship supper of the Presbyterian Church will be held at the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A. Wednesday evening, March 16, at 7 o'clock.

Following the dinner, the Rev. Ralph L. Buchanan, will speak on "Stewardship."

After the inspirational portion of the meeting, the yearly budget will be presented and pledges received.

Wilkes Men Charged In Liquor Violation

United States Marshal Fred M. Lomax, Greensboro, this week reported the arrest of 14 Wilkes County men over the week-end for violation of federal liquor laws.

The defendants include Ralph Call, Ina G. McCarter, Jesse McCarter, Norman Williams, George Hendren, Alfred Shepherd, P. R. Parker, Dallas Myers, Roy Chambers, Will Mastin and Jim Foster.

They were taken before Commissioner Ralph Davis at Wilkesboro and released under bond for trial at the May term of court in Wilkesboro.

SOIL SPEAKERS VIE AT DOBSON

Surry High School Students
Compete Friday In Conservation Contest

ELIMINATIONS ARE HELD

A soil conservation public speaking contest will be held at the Courthouse at Dobson tomorrow (Friday) at 7:30 p.m. Neill M. Smith, Surry county agent, announced yesterday.

Judges for the contest, which is open to all high schools, will come from Yadkin County. The judging team will be composed of W. B. White, teacher of agriculture, the Rev. Robert C. Carter, Dobson, and Ophus M. Fulcher, assistant county agent.

High school elimination contests were held last week. Group finals will be held Friday, March 18, in Winston-Salem.

Prizes in the Surry contest will be \$75, first prize; \$50, second; and \$25, third. Awards to winners are offered by the Banks of Surry County and were announced by Thomas Fawcett, group chairman of the Agricultural Committee of North Carolina Bankers Association.

Group winner prizes will be \$400, first place; \$100, second place; \$50, third place.

Five Get Permits To Wed Last Week

Five marriage licenses were listed in the office of the Register of Deeds at Dobson last week.

They were: Rockford B. Fenn, 23, and Virginia Mae Rucker, 18, both of Mount Airy; Joffre Bunker, 30, White Plains, and Iona Collins, 19, Mount Airy; Warren Hooker, 20, and Florence E. Smith, 18, both of Mount Airy; Hugh Edward Sutphin, 22, and Sue Mae Finchum, 18, both of Mount Airy; and Grover Southerland, 53, Mountain Park, and Nancy Cox, 34, Sparta.

Elkin's 1949 Mass Meeting To Be April 1

Elkin's 1949 political mass meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m., April 1, it was decided at a meeting of the Town Council Monday night.

L. I. Wade was named registrar and N. J. Blackwood and Richard Franklin were named judges.

YEGGS FAIL AT ENTERING

Burglary Attempt Is One In Series of Pesky Crimes In Past Weeks

TIRES SLASHED ON CAR

An unsuccessful attempt to reach a safe in an Elkin business office was reported last Thursday.

When employees of the Elkin-Jonesville Building and Loan Office went to work Thursday, they found someone had tried to get at their safe during the night.

Miss Mattie Mae Powell, secretary, said the burglars broke the window directly over a heavy safe in the rear office, but that other than knocking several articles off the top of the safe, apparently molested nothing. There were no signs of anyone having tampered with the safe door, nor were any drawers in the various desks opened. She expressed the opinion that the burglars did not actually enter the office other than leaning in over the safe.

The window entered faces on a narrow alley next to the First Baptist Church.

As another instance of just plain meanness, someone a few days prior to the Building & Loan entry, slashed two white sidewall tires on the new car belonging to Mrs. Paul Gwyn, as it was parked in the driveway at her home on Gwyn Avenue. Mrs. Gwyn said the tires, both on the same side of the car, were completely ruined.

Another breaking, reported at State Highway Garage east of here Wednesday night, netted thieves an electric drill and other tools.

The breaking at the building and loan office was Elkin's second recent safe-cracking attempt.

YADKIN VALLEY TOURNEY ENDS

Yadkinville Boys, Sparta Girls
Take Finals In Week-Long Tournament

ALL-STAR TEAM NAMED

Yadkinville's boys and Sparta's girls emerged the winners of the Yadkin Valley Conference Tournament here Tuesday night after more than a week of play in which 32 teams participated.

Yadkinville, who came back after being temporarily eliminated by a team that was later declared ineligible, rolled up the final contest 34 to 21 over Franklin.

Sparta's girls, led by tall Clarice Mitchell, eked out an 18-17 victory over White Plains. Both teams had lost only one game each when they went into the contest.

The all-tournament teams chosen Tuesday night were:

Girls team: Forwards — Mitchell, Sparta; R. Nichols, Franklin; Fisher, Jonesville; Weatherman, West Yadkin; Ramey, Lowgap; Midkiff, Flat Rock. Guards — Black, Sparta; L. Venable, White Plains; Dollyhigh, White Plains; Reavis, Courtney; McNeal, Millers Creek; Golden, Franklin.

Boys team: Davis, Yadkinville; Haire, Yadkinville; Draughn, Franklin; Jones, Franklin; L. Pike, Flat Rock. Inman, Pilot Mountain; Edwards, Sparta; Billings, Traphill; Atkinson, Beulah; Matthews, East Bend.

East Bend Post To Sponsor Ball Club

The East Bend Post of The American Legion will sponsor the baseball club at East Bend this year, Lester G. Long, Commander, announced today.

Work will start on the Legion's new ball park there Saturday. Mr. Long said all members of the post are urged to meet on the new park site early on that day, as work will begin then.

Cigarette smoking reached a new high in the United States last year, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Production of 388 billion is reported by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, an increase of about 18 billion over 1947.

Elkin Will Open House Today To Hundreds Of Agricultural Men At 7th Annual Farm Meet



FARM EDUCATORS AND SOIL SPECIALIST — Dr. J. H. Hilton, left, Dean of Agriculture, N. C. State College, and Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of agronomy extension work, will lend educational support to the Elkin Farmers' Day today in their addresses. J. W. Sargent, assistant regional conservator, Spartanburg, S. C., will speak on "Soil Conservation."

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SENATOR DIES IN WASHINGTON

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WELL-KNOWN IN ELKIN

Funeral service was held Tuesday in Raleigh for J. Melville Broughton, former governor and recently-elected Senator for North Carolina.

He died Sunday in Washington after a heart attack.

Senator Broughton was well-known in Elkin. He visited this locality frequently. At the last Elkin Farmers' Day, he was a featured speaker. He attended many other similar events in the past.

He first became known personally here when he visited Elkin to consider the advisability of opening the lime mine on the Yadkin River.

Senator Broughton was serving his first term in the Senate. It was his life-long ambition. Only last week was the honor bestowed upon him to preside over the Senate chamber in the absence of Vice-President Alben W. Barkley.

FOREST CLASS TO BE TAUGHT

Timber Owners, Wood Manufacturers, Vet Farmers
Asked To Attend

A forestry school will be held at the Courthouse in Dobson beginning at 9 a. m., next Wednesday for all timber owners, wood manufacturers and veterans in farm classes.

Ground demonstrations will be conducted simultaneously at 2 p. m., Wednesday, by extension forestry specialists on the following farms: J. W. Jones', located between Armstrong Service Station and Ararat in the Long Hill township; Bryce Johnson's farm near the Copeland School; and John Nixon's, one-half mile north of the Mountain Park School on the Mountain Park-Devotion highway.

Farmers are urged to bring their axes to the ground demonstrations, Neill M. Smith, Surry agent, said yesterday.

Subjects to be covered at the Courthouse meeting include, "Managing the Woodlands as Part of the Farming Program," taught by R. W. Graeber, in charge of forestry extension; "Timber Thinning and Stand Improvement," by Walter M. Keller, forestry extension specialist; "Scaling and Marketing Farm Timber," by John L. Gray, forestry extension specialist; "Putting Idle Acres to Work Through Forest Planting," by either Mr. Graeber or Mr. Gray.

Ford Believes Quota Will Be Surmounted

The Elkin Red Cross drive was proceeding rather slowly this week, as it did everywhere in the nation, but local and national campaign officials believe that most goals will be reached.

The Rev. Howard Ford, Elkin chairman, said that full reports were not available yet, but believed Elkin would surmount its quota.

Noted Farm Speakers Will Attend Event

Elkin will open house today to approximately 1,500 farmers and farm enthusiasts in the Seventh Annual Elkin Farmers' Day.

The program, under the sponsorship of the Elkin Kiwanis Club, will open at 9 a. m., presided over by L. Y. Ballentine, North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture.

Congressman Harold D. Cooley, chairman of the House Committee of Agriculture, and Roger Fleming, representative of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will head a list of speakers which will include Elkin's own Thurmond Chatham, congressman of the Fifth District.

The feature address will climax the day when Roger Fleming will speak to the assembly on "Farm Income and Farm Legislation."

Thurmond Chatham will introduce Harold D. Cooley at the afternoon meeting after Garland Johnson, Mayor of Elkin and chairman of the Agricultural Council, returns greetings.

Other speakers will include Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of agronomy extension work at State College; S. H. Dobson, agronomy specialist; J. W. Sargent, assistant regional conservator, soil conservation service, Spartanburg, S. C.; George Coble, president, Coble Dairy Products, Lexington; and Harvey Dinkins, farm editor, Winston-Salem Journal.

Neill M. Smith, Surry County Agent, and Garland Johnson, Mayor of Elkin, have outlined the complete program with the assistance of Paul Choplin, Wilkes County Agent, and D. D. Williamson, Yadkin County Agent. Farmers of the three counties will be represented.

Following Dr. Hilton's kickoff speech in the morning session will come Dr. E. R. Collins' talk. At 10:30, S. H. Dobson, extension agronomy specialist, will speak. At 11 o'clock, J. W. Sargent, soil conservationist, will make an address, and George Coble, dairyman, will speak at 11:30 a. m. Harvey Dinkins' humorous angle to farming will conclude the morning session.

Lunch will be served at the Y.M.C.A. at 12:10 p. m. and a radio broadcast will commence at 1 p. m.

In the afternoon program, Mayor Johnson will introduce Thurmond Chatham who will introduce Congressman Cooley. R. Flake Shaw, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau

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EAST BEND IS HOST TO EVENT

Winston-Salem Student Is
Winner of District Oratorical Contest

SPONSORED BY LEGION

Kenneth Grigg, 11th grade student of Gray high school in Winston-Salem, was 23rd district winner in the elimination oratorical contest held at East Bend Thursday, it was announced yesterday.

The Joe E. Martin, Jr. Post of The American Legion acted as host to the speakers in the East Bend school auditorium.

The Winston-Salem student competed with Wilma Hutchens of Courtney High School to win the district championship, qualifying him to enter the division contest tomorrow at Kannapolis. The contestants spoke on some phase of the American Constitution. The winner at the East Bend contest spoke on "Our Living Constitution."

1949 marks the 12th year the American Legion has sponsored the oratorical contests. Winner of the event tomorrow will participate in the state contest, the regional contest, and finally in the national contest at Washington, D. C. The national prize is a scholarship to some college or university.

Miss Hutchens, Courtney student, lost the contest by only a few points.